THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE SEVENTH CIRCUIT 219 South Dearborn Street Chicago, Illinois 60604

September 19, 2018

Chief Judge Diane P. Wood

No. 07-18-90059

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE

MEMORANDUM

Complainant has filed a judicial misconduct complaint against the judge assigned to her case. Complainant requests that the case be assigned to another judge. The complainant attacks the judge's denial of appointment of counsel, the dismissal of the underlying litigation, and the award of costs. I dismiss that part of the complaint pursuant to §352(b)(1)(A)(ii). Any complaint that is "directly related to the merits of a decision or procedural ruling" must be dismissed. 28 U.S.C. §352(b)(1)(A)(ii). See also Rule 11(c)(1)(B) of the Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings. "Any allegation that calls into question the correctness of an official action of a judge...is merits related." Standard 2 for Assessing Compliance with the Act, Implementation of the Judicial Conduct and Disability Act of 1980: A Report to the Chief Justice 145 (2006).

The complainant also makes unsupported allegations against the judge of bias and bribery. I dismiss those allegations under 28 U.S.C. §352(b)(1)(A)(iii) because the complaint lacks any evidence to raise an inference that misconduct has occurred.

This complaint is dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §352(b)(1)(A)(ii) and (iii).